

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** when COVID-19 first appeared, few would have predicted within two years more than one million in the United States would have died from the new disease; and

**WHEREAS,** life insurers paid more than \$90 billion to beneficiaries of life insurance policies in 2020, the highest ever in any single year in more than a century; and

**WHEREAS,** with today's current economic conditions, it is more important than ever to increase access to financial protection products; and

**WHEREAS,** life insurance has always existed to provide certainty and ensure no one must face tough times alone; and

**WHEREAS,** life insurance is a foundational tool for financial resilience, helping keep homes and pay for college after a family member is lost; and

**WHEREAS,** accessible, affordable life insurance provides stability to families and safeguards small businesses with cash-value loans in difficult times; and

**WHEREAS,** the American Council of Life Insurers' purpose is to raise awareness of life insurance as a vital way to build wealth from one generation to the next.

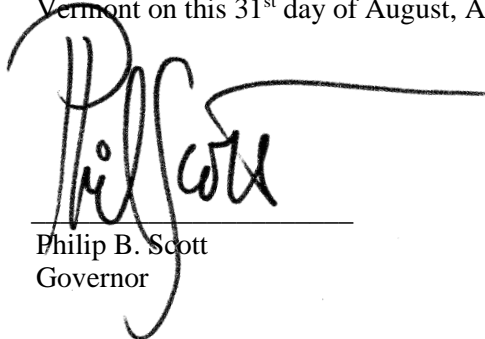
**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim September 2022 as

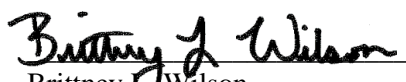
**LIFE INSURANCE AWARENESS MONTH**

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, A.D. 2022.

  
Philip B. Scott  
Governor

  
Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs